

E-Transparency Task Force

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Task Force Purpose

The openness of state government is a priority for the people of Kentucky. Governor Beshear has made it clear that our taxpayers are well served, and our Commonwealth is made stronger as a whole, when citizens can better see how their tax dollars are being spent and how their state-funded programs are operated. These hallmarks of openness will help steer all of us who work in the public trust toward improved efficiency and better performance in all our services.

The outcome of this Task Force will be to provide the citizens of Kentucky with not just a website designed to provide a one-stop venue where they can review how their tax dollars are being spent, but information about state-funded programs and an improved process revolving around accountability to our citizens.

This “online” open door approach to government is our invitation to citizens to join us on the road to even greater transparency.

Governor Beshear's Vision

It is the Governor's desires that we exemplify and function as a healthy democracy, honoring the trust that our citizens have placed upon us and making sure that we provide the citizens of Kentucky with access to meaningful information about the operations of the state government.

Transparency Roadmap – Past, Present, and Future – Highlights

1996	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Governor Paul Patton establishes EMPOWER KENTUCKY• Enacted to streamline state government , to essentially simplify government
1999	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Management Administrative and Reporting System (MARS)• Enterprise-wide system to support the financial and materials management processes
2003	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Enterprise wide payment engine – ePay• Enterprise wide eGovernment Portal – Kentucky.gov
2005	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Bill Watch – Online service that enables users to monitor and track legislation during the Kentucky Legislative Session
2006	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• eMars – Next Generation web-enabled application upgrading MARS , expanding VSS for procurement
2007	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• RegWatch – Online service that enables users to register with state government agencies to receive notification of changes to existing administrative regulations or to receive notice of newly-proposed administrative regulations in the Commonwealth of Kentucky.
2008	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Governor Beshear establishes E-Transparency Task Force• Kentucky Treasury – VIEW application• Secretary of State – Online Checkbook
2009	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• New Commonwealth Open Door E-Transparency Portal

On the Road to Transparency

- Kentucky Treasurer – [V.I.E.W. Vendor Income & Expense Watch](#)
- Secretary of State – [Online Checkbook](#)

Open Door to the Commonwealth



OPENDOOR

Kentucky's Portal to eTransparency

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Welcome,

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Governor Steve Beshear

Introduction

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Latest News

06.06.2008

Citing the need for state government to exercise openness in how it conducts business, Gov. Steve Beshear today signed an executive order creating an eTransparency Task Force. Under the executive order, the group will bring recommendations to the governor on the creation and implementation of a "one-stop" information access tool that will include, among other things, providing information about state expenditures and state programs.



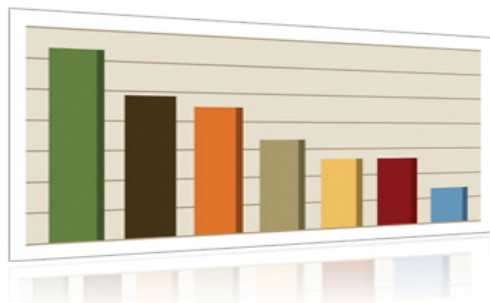
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- Missouri – <http://mapyourtaxes.mo.gov>
- Kansas – <http://www.kansas.gov/kanview/>
- Oklahoma – <http://www.ok.gov/okaa/>
- Texas – <http://www.window.state.tx.us/>

Technical, Legal and Financial Challenges

- **Technical Challenges**
- **Legal Challenges**
- **Financial Challenges**

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